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The eighth grade annual proved to be another success May 27 in the middle school cafeteria.

Pictures of the people who attended are found on this page.

## track - - - continued from p. 6

Other record breakers, continued from the track story on page 6, include these:

60 yd. hurdles- Trevor Smith

880 yd. relay- Bob Roy, Eric Greene, Tim Combs, Kelly Parker

880 yd. run- Doug Powless

440 yd. relay- Eric Lean, Bob Boyer, Brian Bugg, Kelli Parker

by s.w.

## 1989's Officers

Class officers were elected for the class of 1989. President is Trevor Smith, vice-president, Jeannine Pawlicki, Treasurer Anne Kussy and secretary, Jenny Burk.

Student council representatives are Cassy Meyer, Jenny Lozon, Monica Bloedorn, and Heather Staniszewski.

Have a good freshman year!

Freshmen cheerleaders are Heather Staniszewski, Cassy Meyer, Annette Brugh, Monica Bloedorn, Dina Shaffer, Stacie Anderson and Peggy Mullins. h.s.

## Andy takes 2nd

Pictured below is Andy Lumm, winner of the second place trophy in the Lawton Grapevine Invitational Spelling Contest, April 26.

Fifth place was won by Laura Morrison and twelfth place went to Carrie Kay.

Sixty students participated in the contest from six different schools: Lawton, Paw Paw, Marcellus, Decatur, Edwardsburg, and Lawrence.



See page 7 for the contest winners from the fifth grade and sixth grade St. Mary's essay contest. Also for the choir story see page 7. Have a nice summer! ☺





## 8th gr will miss...

An annual tradition has been to ask the eighth graders what they will miss most about the middle school, what advice they would give to the 6th and 7th graders and what they would leave to whom and why...their wills.

What will you miss most about the middle school? Tony Guess said, "Racquetball and Mr. Edinger." Jon Ruiter leaves "the very good lunchroom food." (is this irony?) Heather Staniszewski will miss "Mr. Zolp's math class and when our math class got to pretend like they were in Mr. Rogers' neighborhood."

Phil Koppers will miss "the free milks from my grandma and the exciting movies in Mr. Edinger's class." Sherrie Hall will miss "the 6th and 7th graders." Ami Abbott will miss "yelling at Edna Toviass everyday. I will miss all the 6th graders except a few of them and I'll miss Vicki Allgaier, Chris Date and a lot more like Bryan Bly and many others."

Heidi Henrickson will miss the "teachers." ("just being sarcastic, she notes.") Vangie Toviass will miss Chris Date, Chris Frank, Julie Garcia, Mike Cox and all the 7th graders who are so adorable. Plus I will miss Mr. Topp and Mr. Stenner the most." Amy Bearden will miss "Mr. Erickson's Friday jokes." Anne Kussy will miss "doing sign language with Jeannine in all of our classes we had together."

Monica Bloedorn will miss "the middle school stairs. They make a great challenge when you think you're late for class." Scott Flick will miss "our ads during lunch especially Mrs. Conolly because she was so nice to us."

Sheila Hughes will "miss Mr. Cassell most of all. I know he'll really miss Miss Rinda, Debi., Danielle and me. He has liked us so much. We can't wait to leave." Jennie Burk will miss "the school lunches of course and I also will miss Mr. Cassell because me and Mr. Cassell were dudes." Andrea Pluta thinks she'll miss "absolutely nothing." Bill Shireman will miss "chocolate milk." (maybe we should send him off with a case of it.)

Ann Baker will miss "8th hour!" Tom

Kelly will also miss "chocolate milk." (Add another case to go!) Joyce Lamb will miss "home ec. Mrs. Kalisiek's room, Mrs. Swanson and Mrs. Conolly for all the times she's been nice and Mrs. Firestone for letting us sit at the back table."

Mark Wickett will miss "acting like a fruit cake and being able to get away with it." Tom Nondorf will miss "good grades and 8th hour." Trevor Smith will miss "7th hour in Mr. Brill's room," as will P.J. Moore. Karen Seiler will miss "the lunch aids." John Lucas will miss "getting in trouble." (John, that never ends.)

April Lipp will miss "Mrs. Swanson blowing her whistle and Mr. Erickson's dumb jokes. I'll miss the fun in Mr. Brill's class and Mr. Edinger's folders and magazines." Jenny Lozon will miss "goofing around in Mr. Brill's class and watching the 6th graders dance 3½ feet apart from one another."

Marc Galbraith will miss "my friends. I will be moving so I won't be able to see them any more." Suzy Wachtor will miss "Mrs. Swanson." Jim Roberts will miss "writing on the walls. I love to watch them re-paint them every year."

Diane Elkins will miss "my boyfriend Tim 'Cuddly' Holewa. Also Mr. Topp, the nicest teacher there is in the building." Eric Brown will miss "some of my teachers. I wish them a good summer."

Danielle Dragon will miss "the 6th and 7th graders, mainly Scott Browne and Brian Hunt." Lesley Bergeson will miss "Mr. Brill's great lectures." Carole Miley will miss "Mrs. Swanson and Mr. Topp, my favorite teachers."

Sean Donovan figures he'll miss "the size of the middle school." Brian Meeth will miss "Mrs. Swanson saying 'stick a sock in it.'" Micah Billings will miss "being the oldest in the school," Ken Van Horn will miss "Mr. Stenner, of course."

Allen Flip will miss "nothing but the exit sign." (Don't despair The high school has em too.)



A continuation of the What We Will miss most...

Cris Hummel will miss "Mrs. Kalisiek probably the most. I had the best times in my life in her class during that semester. She's one of the nicest teachers in the building." Pete Craig will miss "the teachers and how nice they are sometimes."

Jenny Peplinski will miss "all of the teachers yelling and screaming at us. Then there was Mr. T. who thought he was real tough. He might have been but he was a cool teacher." Dan Kolosar will miss "not a single thing." Lisa Hall will miss "the color of Mr. Brill's and Mr. Topp's room."

Rob Johnston will miss "Mr. Edinger and cafeteria food." (You're in luck, Rob. The food comes from the high school..hoho.) Kevin Hindenach's going to miss "Mr. Stenner's chair which is low enough to touch China and Mr. Erickson's 'friday' jokes." Julie Oreskovich will miss "Some of my teachers like Mr. Lutz, Mr. Topp and Mrs. Kalisiek."

## Advice to 6th & 7th

What advice do you give to the 6th and 7th graders?

Tony Blanton suggests "get your homework done, make sure you pass and don't act like a hotshot when get in eighth grade because it's nothing big. Just remember when you decide to pick on somebody smaller than you there is always someone bigger than you that can take care of you." Dawn Richards says "get on the good side of your teachers." Don Rankin says, "learn and study hard so they can grow up to be something." Jeff Barhnhart suggests, "get your work done and get in the good home rooms and work hard." Tisha Mitchell has three pieces of advice. "Do not get Mr. Zolp for math. Do your homework and be in as many activities as you can."

Travis Hall suggests, "tease Mr. Edinger about Michigan State but tell him around report card time that they are a good team." Bob Mallis' advice is "change schools." April Lipp suggests "make sure you have your homework done for Mrs. Dobbs."

## MORE ADVICE

Carrie Kay says "give the teachers a break. Be nice to them some of the time." Angie Ellis says, "Stay out of the locker room." Chuck McCoy says, "Don't try to slam dunk the rims in the basketball court."

Bob Boyer suggests, "Go to K'zoo!" Rich Haisma says, "don't be a smart mouth with Mr. Topp." Mark Wickett notes, "Have fun with Mr. Erickson. (HA HA HA)."

Chad Payne advises, "get Mr. Erickson for science." Cheri Fisk says, "get Mr. Brill for a teacher." Monica Reisterer thinks you should "party." Jenny Burk's advice is "Chill out and stay cool. Watch out for the fantastic school lunches. Also take care of Mr. Cassell. He's a real dude."

Rinda Teske suggests, "If you have Mr. Topp next year. Be nice. He's a great teacher." Michelle McKenny says, "When you are in 8th grade get good grades and mind the teacher." Matt Hess wishes "the 6th grade good luck in 7th" and to the 7th he wishes "superiority,"

Anne Kussy warns, "Watch out for Mr. Edinger's unique ties, especially the Mickey Mouse one." Jeannine Pawlicki advises, "Enjoy Mr. Edinger's class. It's the best one you'll ever have." Heidi Henrickson's advice is "Stay away from the eighth graders."

Debi Richardson suggests, "Stick with it. You only have a year or two left. (hopefully)."

## last wills? ho ho

- As if you were writing your last will and testament, what would you leave to whom and why?

Matt Hess would leave "the lunch monitor in the 6th and 7th grade. I hate being lunch monitor." Chad Payne leaves "my roach motel to Brian Bugg because he's always running from fly swatters and he will need a place to stay." (Always bugging Bugg!)

Carrie Kay leaves "the teachers like Mrs. Dobbs, Mrs. Swanson and

# wills

Carrie Kay's will continues

"Mr. Erickson because the 7th graders deserve to be tortured too." Bethany Burge leaves "good luck and grades to Becky (my sister) because she deserves it."

Len Griffiths leaves "my ATC to Greg Woodhams because he doesn't have one."

Doug Powless leaves "to the people who are in the library third hour I leave the multitude of books which happen to walk out undetected. To Michelle Osment I leave a voice with more depth." Bob Roy leaves "some of my basketball skills to Robby Williams because he'll need them!"

Lance Ballou will leave "my teachers to everybody so they can have fun with too." Kathy Soule leaves "everything to be divided up among Lisa Hall, Julie Oreskovich and Jenny Johnston and Veda Walker."

Chad Flanders leaves "nothing to anybody because I am greedy." Kristen Schincariol leaves "my clothes to Kandy. She always complains I've got too many." Eric Green leaves "Shelton Mitchell and Brian Loomis my secret map of the school so they can take their girls into the best places... I'll leave Michelle Osment a little of common sense and charisma; Lord knows she needs it. I also leave Bubba Baney my superior athletic abilities because he could use it."

Beth Hansen leaves "my money to Biz Farrell, so she won't have to ask, my stereo to Ingrid Lacy, and my many tapes and albums to Tisha Mitchell." Karey Retzner leaves "my locker to whoever wants it. It's too small."

Ingrid Lacy leaves "to Billy Carter my love and happiness and Shelton and Brian my grades because they need them. Also I leave them all my hugs and kisses. Hahaha."

Thomas Drake leaves "the thought of Ninja Joe to all of the students in 6th and 7th grade. I leave the memory of Spock to Mr. Stenner." Steve Griffith leaves "the memory of C.M. to all who know him." John Herbert leaves "Chris Date my locker and Jane McGuire my books because everything I had was no good."

Kris Ranger leaves "my pictures of Kevin Staniszewski to Kim Herring and Heather Staniszewski because they're also in love with him."

John Norg leaves "everything to everybody on a 'first come, first serve' basis." Cory Jones leaves "my locker to my best friend who is in 7th grade and needs a clean locker."

Kerrin Hindenach leaves "my property to Lance Ballou. He will probably be here until the next generation. And I leave!" Missy Ogden leaves "my homework to Shelly Zach so she won't get bored." Eric Lean leaves "all my U. of M. #1 thoughts to Mr. Edinger and Mrs. Swanson who hate it."

Peggy Mullins said she'd leave "my grades to Julie Buck because they're horrible, my gym shoes to Jane McGuire so she'll have something to remember me by and Nicki Allgaier, I leave you my Michigan State shirt." Joe Jones leaves to "Chris Collier and Brian Loomis, Kelly P. and my popularity with all the girls in the high school."

Kelli Parker leaves "two school records for the 440 and 880 relay which you and your children will never beat and to Brian Loomis and Shelton Mitchell I leave mine and Joe Jones' popularity."

Ann Wilkinson leaves "my books so they'll pass with flying colors, and to the 6th graders I leave good luck wishes cause the 7th graders will have more time to pick on them." Glenn Merchant leaves "an empty locker because I have emptied out my locker." Annette Brugh leaves "Jennifer Evans my athletic ability and power over snobs." Cris Hummel leaves "to Chrissy Reed my intelligence because I have too much and she needs some. I'll leave her my great sense of humor."

Tim Cummings leaves "all my school books to the upcoming 8th graders."

Kandy Pilarski leaves "my song to Mr. Topp." Suzy Wachtor leaves to Shelly King my locker and everything in it."

Jenny Lozon leaves "To Rosa Vanderseel my track uniform. Hopefully you will go out for it." Pat Curry leaves "every thing to Bill Shireman because I know

Wills continued...

Pat Curry " I know he'll be here next year. Karen Seiler leaves " my looks to Doug Brucher because he sure needs them." Ann Baker leaves " my grade in Mrs. Dobbs' algebra class to Nikki Curtis. She may need it. I leave Tom Drake to Nikki Curtis."

Sheila Hughes leaves " my mother to Brian Loomis. May he have many more fun times in the office."

Missy DenHamer leaves " to Pauline and Carole my horse in California and to Ann and Nancy I leave my condo in New York and a quarter of a million to each of them."

Bob Paulus leaves the school to "Mr. Drury." Scott Flick leaves "all my detentions and bad grades to Ken Van Horn because he will probably be here again next year." Amy Smead leaves " a notebook and pen to Phil Koppers to take notes with." Amy Bear-den leaves " Ms. Swanson a foghorn to help her bring out her voice better and a pair of stilts to walk on so she won't get lost in the crowd of kids."

Phil Koppers leaves " my excellent solar heater to future science olympiad and I leave Amy Smead the name Mertlye." Heather Staniszewski leaves " my great singing ability to Jane McGuire and to Heather Smith my great math knowledge. I won't leave Laura Morrison anything because she is so smart she won't need my help. I also leave to whoever wants it my beautiful locker."

Ninja Joe leaves " my name written everywhere, I leave Debi Richardson a growth potion, and Mrs. Swanson a chair to pull down the shades. I leave my skill add coordination to Shelton Mitchell and Brian Loomis, and I leave my psychic powers to Alex Stevens." Brett Lehto leaves "my good grades to Brian Bugg because I don't think he is going to pass. I leave my great looks to Brian Bugg because everybody knows he needs them."

## 'material' video

Surveys taken in the cafeteria last month revealed the following results concerning the best videos, best movie, best song & best singer.

For best video is Madonna's "Material Girl" and "We are the World." Best movie was Beverly Hills Cop. Best song winner was U.S.A. for Africa's "We are the World". Best singer the tie was between Prince and Madonna.

c.c., s.c. & t.r.

## adios

Farewell eighth graders. Another year has gone by and another eighth grade group leaves, only to be replaced. The eighth graders go to the high school to be the little kids. Watching the eighth grade boys eat in the cafeteria we know it will be better without them. As for the girls, who could miss the girls? Hoho.

written by two sixth graders

## happy birthday!

Happy Birthday June, July and August!

Tammy Selby- July 19  
 Tony Charron- August 23  
 Tim Holewa - June 24  
 Melissa Hall- August 1  
 Shane Casey - July 6  
 Eric Bowers- May 31  
 Gary Imus- August 13  
 James Roberts- Aug. 3  
 Sherrie Hall- Aug. 16  
 Tom Dailey- July 19  
 Debi Richardson- July 3  
 Cris Hummel- July 14  
 David Miller- July 30  
 Heidi Henrickson- July 17  
 Angie Toviass- June 1  
 Monica Bloedorn- July 7  
 Sue Wunderlich- June 13  
 Lisa Hall- June 16  
 Mark Wickett- Aug. 29  
 Heather Staniszewski- Aug. 20  
 Lance Ballou- Aug. 23  
 Anne Kussy- June 2  
 Amy Bearden- Aug. 16  
 Baffy Archer- July 28  
 Matt Crosser- June 20  
 Laurie Shultz- Aug. 30



### Birthday Wishes...

Pat Curry - Aug. 10  
 James Lacy- July 10  
 Monica Reisterer- June 29  
 Karen Seiler- July 28  
 Jenny Paluch- Aug. 22  
 Jon Stoner- June 25  
 Chuck McCoy- Aug. 27  
 Tisha Mitchell- Aug. 1  
 Art Steimla - Aug. 18  
 Angela Scotese- July 18  
 Wendy Reinoehl - June 1

Have a good summer!

## dear sam,

Dear Sam, -

My best friend or now ex- best friend is going to get beat up by someone. She doesn't want to tell anyone but I told her I was going to write to you. Now she's all mad. But I hope she'll understand I am trying to help her. So what should she do? She can't tell because when she is off school ground she still will get beat up. She can't become friends because this person won't. My friend is just giving up. She said she'll just get herself beat up. I love her like a sister. So please help her make up her mind.

Fred

### Dear Fred,

Wow. This one is really a biggy. I wish Dear Sam were a psychiatrist or a mind reader. Unfortunately he is really a student each time and he is stumped by the lack of reasons behind the possible beat-up. I guess I'd have to say that there are some strange people out there who let an awful lot bug them until they end up taking out their anger on someone else. Your friend may be an excuse for this other person to be tough. I still think your friend needs to try talking to someone. I recommend Mr. Pefley or Mr. Drury. They will never let on who told them what but I'd hate to see your friend hurt or anxious all the time around this bully. (Use the word. That is exactly what a person who fights another

or threatens to is, a bully.) (not to mention a jerk.) (Now, will that person come after me? Hoho.) Seriously, if this sort of situation arises, tell your friend to tell someone-some adult. Meanwhile, I suggest she travel with a friend or two every where for a while. Perhaps a long summer vacation will help everyone involved. Good luck.

Sam.

## track record

This year's track team got off on the right foot and stayed on it (or them). Their first meet was a triangular, playing against two teams, Watervliet and Bangor. The boys and the girls were undefeated at that point.

The next game was another triangular against Comstock and Vicksburg. The P.P. boys lost but the girls defeated both of the teams.

Kalamazoo Milwood was a tough match and both the P.P.M.A. boys and girls lost. The next meet was against Comstock. The score was girls, 68 - Comstock- 52. Boys were defeated again.

May 7 Paw Paw played Schoolcraft at home and won. The boys' score was Paw Paw 67, Schoolcraft 58. Girls were 111 to Schoolcraft's 11.

Another triangular meet was a day after that one. P.P. played Lawton and Constantine. Boys beat Lawton and lost to Constantine. Girls defeated both teams.

The year in track ended with 8 wins and one loss for the girls and four wins and five losses for the boys.

Many school records were made.

2-mile run- Jeannine Pawlicki  
 880 relay- Dena Craig, Jennie Burk, Sue Wunderlich, Beth Hansen  
 880 yd. run- Kerri Betzner  
 220 - Ingrid Lacy  
 440 - Dena Craig  
 440 relay- Ingrid, Annette Brugh, Karen Brennan, Kim Herring  
 1 mile relay- Susie Copeland, Kerri, Linda Buskirk, Jeannine  
 60 yd. low hurdles- Jenny Allwelt  
 shot put- Brian Bugg  
 high jump- Eric Greene  
 60 yd. hurdles- Trevor

## Looking Ahead to Mich. Ave.

As part of a contest to introduce the fifth graders (next year's sixth) and the sixth graders of St. Mary's, we are printing the following essays. The winner from each building gets a Sugar Bear Certificate and a free Good Times.

The Cedar Street winner was Dawn Flanders.

"Going to the middle school next fall will be - growing up! Learning to be a very smart young student. A fun-filled adventure just for you. A big place. Trying to get A's I think I'm going to like middle school."

The St. Mary's winner was Peter Menard. Peter has had the chance to get a little glimpse of middle school from his 6th grade band experiences. (see the yearbook).

"Going to the middle school next fall will be - a very good learning experience. It will make me more responsible and will teach me to cope with problems. I am looking forward to going and will try to do good work. It will expand my knowledge of many subjects, too."

The Black River winner was Rachel Stoner.

"Going to the middle school next fall will be an experience. I will be one of the youngest kids in the school instead of being one of the oddest. It will seem kind of strange because we'll have to walk to different classes instead of being in one room. It will be like starting school all over again."

## 5th & 6th grade contestants (continued)

Runners-up were Matt Szotek and Tanya Johnson, Black River. Runners-up from Cedar Street were Wendy Owens and Kristin Flesher. Runners-up from St. Mary's were

John Coleman and Tony Millek, who found the idea of going to the middle school next fall, "Awesome." We hope it will be for all of you.

## Spring Fling Fling

The middle school choir presented us with another successful concert April 24, entitled "Spring Fling."

The songs sang were as follows: "We're on Top", "With a Voice of a Singing Tree Song," "Just Dreaming", "race to the End", and "Side by Side".

The Tree Song was accompanied by Chris Date. Other soloists were Mandy Leonard who sang "Memories", Jane McGuire who sang "Singing in the Rain", Jenny Finerman who sang "My Favorite Things", and Mary Cooper who sang "Somewhere over the Rainbow". Mary also did a short monologue.

Colleen Bos and Jessica Kyriasis were also soloists. The choir sang the choral highlights from Annie as well as "Alexander's Ragtime Band."

h.staniszewski

## State TRIP

The middle school choir performed on the steps of the state capitol May 22 and were greeted heartily by local rep. Mick Middaugh.



